A SYMPOSIUM MARCH 18–19, 2005



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THROUGH
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VIRGINIA WOMEN **THROUGH** A SYMPOSIUM

Please join us on March 18–19, 2005, at the Library of Virginia in Richmond for an exciting look at the newest research on women's history in Virginia.

Twenty years ago the Virginia Women's Cultural History Project created a pioneering exhibition and a landmark publication—A Share of Honour: Virginia Women, 1600–1945, by Suzanne Lebsock. Like all seminal books, A Share of Honour asked as many important questions as it answered. Researchers responded with new scholarship that continues to add to our knowledge of women's history in Virginia, the South, and the United States. This symposium, held in conjunction with the exhibition Working Out Her Destiny: Women's History in Virginia, will examine what we have learned about Virginia women through this recent research and will explore what questions still remain for future study.

Participants will attend a full slate of fascinating presentations, including a "History Makers" panel presenting pathbreaking Virginia women, research workshops on the Library's holdings related to women's history, and thematic sessions featuring some of the field's most innovative and important scholars. Among the topics addressed by the symposium will be women's involvement in Virginia's economy, public life, private life, religious and intellectual life, and race relations, along with issues of gender and sexuality.

Registration is required and includes the History Makers panel, all sessions, and a box lunch.

For further information please contact Jan Hathcock at 804-692-3592 or see http://www.lva.lib.va.us/whoweare/exhibits/destiny/symposium.htm.



VIRGINIA WOMEN THROUGH Four CENTURIES—A SYMPOSIUM (Preliminary Program)

Friday, March 18

10:00 a.m. Registration begins

1:00–1:05 P.M.

Welcome
Sandra G. Treadway, Deputy Director, Library of Virginia

1:05-1:20 P.M.

Reflections on "A Share of Honour" Anne Firor Scott, *Professor Emerita, Duke University*

1:30-3:15 P.M.

Workshop—"Resources on Women's History at the Library of Virginia" Workshop leaders: Jennifer Davis McDaid and Derek Gray, *Library of Virginia*

> 3:15–3:30 p.m. Break

> 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Panel Discussion—"History Makers"

A fascinating round-table discussion with Virginia women who have been pioneers in business, education, law, politics, and the media, moderated by Sandra G. Treadway, Library of Virginia. Participants include Ann Compton, ABC News; Meyera E. Oberndorf, Mayor of Virginia Beach; Elizabeth B. Lacy, Justice, Supreme Court of Virginia; and Belle Wheelan, Virginia Secretary of Education.

Saturday, March 19

9:00-10:30 A.M.

Session One—"Women and the Economy"
Moderator: Gregg D. Kimball, *Library of Virginia*Panelists: Megan T. Shockley, *Clemson University*;
Elsa Barkley Brown, *University of Maryland, College Park*;
Linda L. Sturtz, *Beloit College*

Session Two—"Women and Public Life" Moderator: Jennifer McDaid, *Library of Virginia* Panelists: Catherine A. Allgor, *University of California*; *Riverside*; Elizabeth R. Varon, *Temple University*; Elna C. Green, *Florida State University*

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Session Three—"Women and Private Life"
Moderator: Sara Bearss, Library of Virginia
Panelists: Jane Turner Censer, George Mason University;
Terri L. Snyder, California State University, Fullerton;
Jennifer L. Ritterhouse, Utah State University

Session Four—"Women, Gender, and Sexuality"
Moderator: E. Susan Barber, College of Notre Dame of Maryland
Panelists: Joshua D. Rothman, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa;
Cindy S. Aron, University of Virginia, Charlottesville; Diane M.
Sommerville, Fairleigh Dickinson University

12:15–1:30 P.M. Lunch (box lunch included in registration)

1:30-3:00 P.M.

Session Five: "Women and Race"

Moderator: Lauranett L. Lee, Virginia Historical Society
Panelists: Michelle Krowl, Independent Scholar;
Lisa Lindquist Dorr, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa;
Jennifer L. Morgan, Rutgers University

SESSION SIX: "Women, Religion, and Intellectual Life"
Moderator: Marie Tyler-McGraw
Panelists: Joan R. Gundersen, *Independent Scholar*;
Tatiana Van Riemsdijk, *Wilfrid Laurier University*,
Waterloo, Ontario; Larissa M. Smith, *Longwood University*

3:00–3:15 P.M. Break

3:15-4:45 P.M.

Panel Discussion: "Now How Do We Write Virginia Women's History?"

Moderator: Suzanne Lebsock, Rutgers University
Panelists: Cynthia A. Kierner, University of North Carolina
at Charlotte; Elsa Barkley Brown, University of Maryland,
College Park; Jane Turner Censer, George Mason University;
Anne Firor Scott, Professor Emerita, Duke University

5:00 P.M. Adjourn

Symposium Registration

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☐ Session 5 "Women and Race"
☐ Session 6 "Women, Religion, and Intellectual Life"
☐ Panel Discussion "Now How Do We Write Virginia Women's History?"
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Symposium registration is limited to the first 200 applicants, so please return the completed form and your check or credit card information by March 1 to:

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